

The 10th annual Tasmanian Combined Clubs Weekend is hotting up and is on during the Queen's Birthday Long weekend, 6th to 8th June 2015 in sunny Bicheno. Host Club: Ocean Divers Plus Inc.

Apart from World Class Diving we have a heap of things on the go, so read on and get ready for the best CCW ever !!

For the latest information head to www.ccwtasmania.com or like our Facebook Page.

Here is a rundown of what is happening.

SAFETY

As there will be many divers and dive boats sharing the main dive areas, please be careful. Maintain a good lookout and have your radios turned on and on channel 16.

DIVER REGISTRATION

Registration and pre-payment for Saturday and Sundays evening meals.

From 8.00am at the Bicheno Memorial Hall.

8.30am Saturday in the Hall – Weekend briefing for all participating Club's – please ensure that at least 2 of your Members attend so you know what is going on – points on offer.

Come along and register and see what's going on and where before heading out for a dive

Try-dive gear, dive experiences and **bacon and egg rolls** from ODP.

PHOTO COMPETITION: GREAT PRIZES ON OFFER!!!!

There are five categories this year –

A) **WIDE ANGLE** images from Temperate Australia taken during the last 12 months with minimal editing.

B) **MACRO** - images from Temperate Australia taken during the last 12 months with minimal editing.

C) **OPEN** - images from anywhere taken during the last 12 months with minimal editing;

D). **BEST NUDIBRANCH PORTRAIT** - images from anywhere taken during the last 12 months with minimal editing

E) **BEST UNDERWATER 'SELFIE' - PEOPLE'S CHOICE** - images from anywhere taken during the last 12 months with minimal editing

Check out the rules and naming requirements on the website

www.ccwtasmania.com. Submit your photos to

[mailto:ccwbicheno@gmail.com?subject=CCW2015 PHOTO COMP ENTRY](mailto:ccwbicheno@gmail.com?subject=CCW2015%20PHOTO%20COMP%20ENTRY) by

5.00pm June 2nd.

TRY DIVES

Pinnacle will be coming along to CCW and offering Try dives and Demo suits for Free. These suits will also be for sale after the event (at great prices).

'THE BIG NIGHT DIVE'

Come and be part of the biggest night dive in Tasmania. Get ready at the Breakwater at Waub's Bay before dark and slip in just before it gets dark. In fact, it doesn't really get too dark because there are sooo many torches. Get changed quickly and hi-tail it back to the Hall for a scrumptious meal.

SCUBA OLYMPICS

Events will include, as they always do, Scuba Relay, Fin Toss, Weight Shot Put, and Navigation.

Also a Kiddie's Relay and Frisbee Throw.

Get a team of 4 together on the oval and get ready for some above water action – even if you aren't in it, come along and support your favourite Club. You will need a compass, fins, mask, BC and a 12lb weightbelt for your group.

GNOME HUNT

More gnomes have been lost around the underwater sites at Bicheno.

Find them and points for your Club and big prizes are yours !

SPUD HUNT

Golf balls will be spread out in Waubs Bay and each one will be worth points, prizes or pain...

UNDERWATER VIDEO COMPETITION

The subject for this year's event is "Miss CCW 2015" – All clubs are asked to submit a **3 minute (max)** video by 6.00pm Sunday 7th.

FOOD

Saturday 8am: Bacon and Egg rolls by the ODP crew. Also Coffee from Blue edge.

Scuba Olympics: For Lunch we will be serving Hot Dogs and Sausage rolls, nice and cheap and hot to warm everyone up, The Coffee Van will be there serving piping hot coffee, hot choc and soup in a cup to get extra warm and toasty. This will be on the Rec ground while the Olympics are being held.

Saturday Evening: Dinner will be in the Hall with Blue edge Bakery catering to our hungry masses, we will be having sumptuous scallop or guinness beef pies served with yummy mash and peas (we will also have some Vegetarian pies, please let us know in advance if you require vegetarian options so we can allow for that). Cost will be approx \$20 per head, children 4-10 ½ price, and under 4 free.

Sunday 8am: Bacon and egg rolls cooked fresh by ODP, and great coffee from the Van.

Sunday Lunch time: At the Hall, more coffee and soups, hot dogs and sausage rolls (if there are any left from Saturday).

Coffee and soup at the BreakWater during the Spud Hunt.

Sunday Evening: GOLDEN ROAST BUFFET – Choice of 3 meats, roast potatoes, 4 salad/vegetable options, bread, 4 desserts, tea/coffee. - \$30/hd. Children 4 – 10 ½

price. Under 4 – FREE. BYO Drinks and drink responsibly. Cans are preferred as they can be compacted and take up less room in the bins.

ACCOMMODATION

Andrew from Bicheno By the Bay has offered some Very good, discounted rates for people wishing to stay. Contact Andrew directly - 03 6375 1171.

Also call L.J.Hooker Bicheno for deals on Houses. 03 6375 1400

CHILDREN'S EVENTS

This year we are having some Children's Events. We will be running a Children's Corner at different times over the weekend and we will have things like Craft, colouring comps, Hat making and book mark making etc , there will also be a sandcastle making competition on the beach if weather permits and we will have games and things for them to do, Please check the schedule of events closer to the event for times and venues, (these are activities and require parent or guardian supervision - IT IS NOT DAY CARE). There will also be events for the Kids at the Scuba Olympics to join in. Also this year we will be running a kids movie on both nights during the feature presentations, This will be in the Hall in a side room and there will be supervision supplied for this time.

PRESENTATIONS

On Saturday and Sunday night starting at 5pm, Before dinner and then after, there will be a series of dive related presentations that will rock your world:

There is a very full schedule of Guest Speakers this year and we will confirm more details closer to the weekend.

At this stage, there will be presentations from:-

The Hyperbaric Unit in Hobart

Neville Barrett from IMAS showing off some of the latest underwater mapping stuff they have been doing off the east coast of Tassie

James P and some great video footage and a talk about diving some deep reefs.

DAN will be talking about some of their latest issues relating to diving around the world.

Johnny Keane will be doing a short talk on the “incident” at Maria this year, An overview of what happened and how they dealt with a very serious situation and some lessons learned.

Much, much more, including Emma Flukes talking about pretty things and weed
. Don't want to miss that one !

Peter Paulsen will be talking about the proposal to turn the 126m **HMAS Tobruk** off Skeleton Bay, St Helens for a world class dive wreck